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Page 5ROCKET TEST FACILITY

VORONEZH, USSR

1. [REDACTED] WAS THE FIRST PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE OF THIS INSTALLATION LOCATED 5 NM SOUTH OF VORONEZH. THE FACILITY, IDENTIFIED AS A POSSIBLE STATIC TEST FACILITY, CONTAINED TWO POSSIBLE HORIZONTAL TEST CELLS WITH AN ASSOCIATED BLAST WALL, TWO TEST CELLS WITH ASSOCIATED BLAST PITS, ONE MAJOR BUILDING, AND SEVERAL OTHER SUPPORT BUILDINGS. THE INSTALLATION IS ROAD-SERVED.

2. [REDACTED] REVEALED CONSIDERABLE ENLARGEMENT OF THE FACILITY AND ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY.

3. SIX SUBSEQUENT KH MISSIONS COVERED THIS INSTALLATION, BUT POOR QUALITY PHOTOGRAPHY LIMITED THE INTERPRETATION OF CHANGES OR OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY.

4. [REDACTED] REVEALED EXPANSION OF THE FACILITY AND CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IN THE SOUTHWEST PORTION OF THE SITE.

5. [REDACTED] IDENTIFIED A POSSIBLE VERTICAL TEST STAND UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN THE SOUTHWEST PORTION OF THE FACILITY, TWO NEW TEST CELLS, AND A RAIL SPUR, POSSIBLY STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION, ENTERING THE SITE FROM THE SOUTHWEST. BLAST MARKS AT TWO FIRING BAYS IN THE ORIGINAL

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TEST AREA WERE OBSERVED.

6. [REDACTED] CONFIRMED THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED POSSIBLE VERTICAL TEST STAND AND REVEALED IT TO BE NEARING COMPLETION. NEW CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED JUST NORTHWEST OF THIS TEST STAND.

7. THIS MISSION REVEALS A NEW VERTICAL TEST STAND IN EARLY STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION NORTHWEST OF THE PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED VERTICAL TEST STAND. BOTH TEST STANDS PROBABLY UTILIZE THE SAME CONTROL BUNKER. NEW CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS EVIDENT IN THE NORTHEAST PORTION OF THE FACILITY. A SMALL CEMENT BATCH PLANT IS IDENTIFIED APPROXIMATELY 1.5 KM WEST OF THE TEST FACILITY NEAR A HOUSING/SUPPORT AREA.

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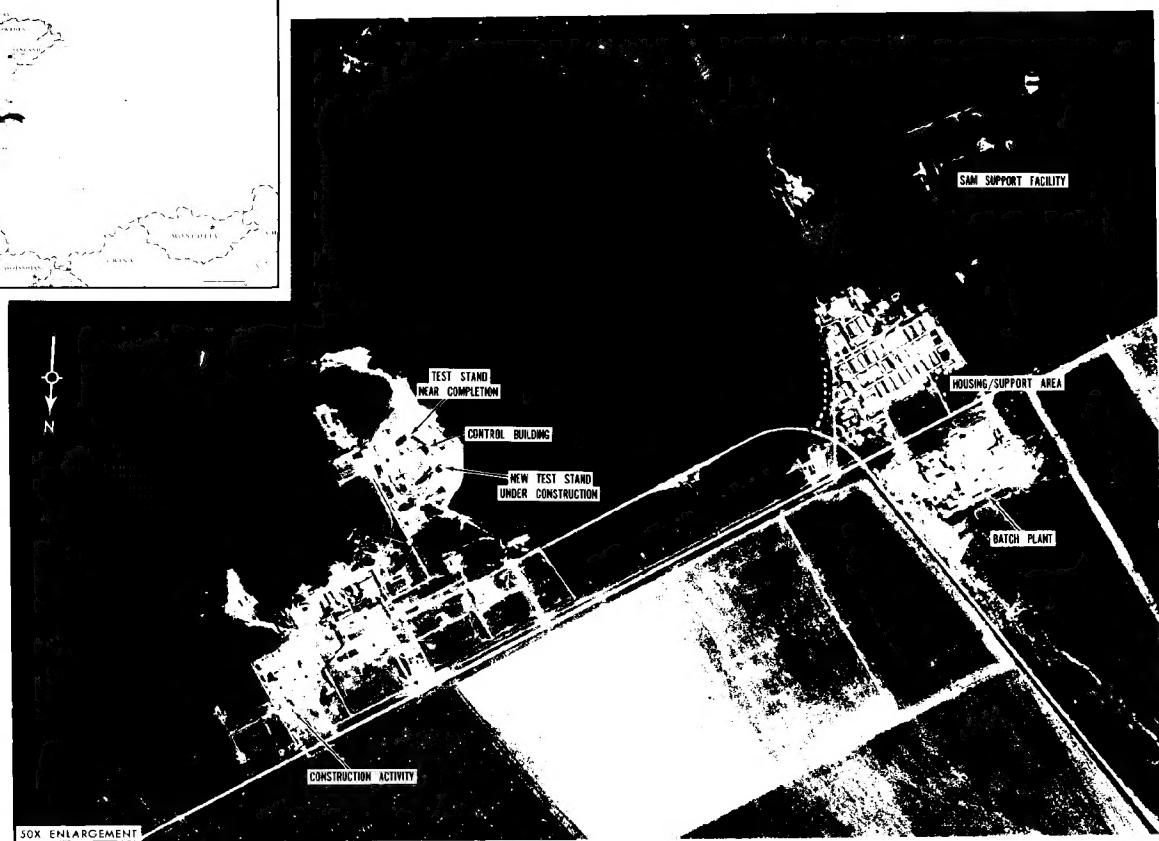
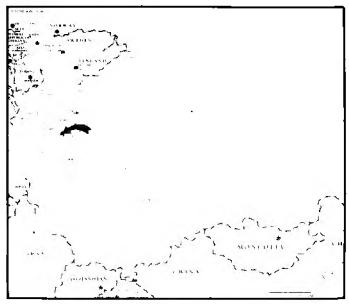
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